

RESOLUTION RESPECTING FAMILY RELOCATION PAYMENTS UNDER
SECTION 114 OF THE HOUSING ACT OF 1949
AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, the Boston Redevelopment Authority is undertaking urban renewal projects with financial assistance under Title I of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, and contemplates the undertaking of additional urban renewal projects in the future;

WHEREAS, the Authority has from time to time adopted conditions and procedures governing the making of relocation payments to families and individuals displaced in connection with said urban renewal projects; and

WHEREAS, Section 310 of the Housing Act of 1964 amended said Title I with respect to relocation payments by the addition to said Title I of a new Section 114 and the deletion of former Section 106 (f).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Boston Redevelopment Authority that:

1. The Authority shall henceforth make relocation payments, including relocation adjustment payments, to families and individuals displaced from all Title I urban renewal projects, present and future, in accordance with and to the full extent permitted by Section 114 of said Title I and Federal rules and regulations thereunder, reserving, however, the right to set off against the claims of an otherwise eligible occupant any financial claims the Authority may have against the occupant.

2. Pursuant to said regulations, as published in 30 F. R. 439-443, Section 3.103 (a), the eligibility date for such payments with respect to each project is hereby established as the earlier of (1) the date of the pertinent Federal financial assistance contract and (2) the date of approval by the Housing and Home Finance Administrator of a budget for project execution activities.

3. The Project Directors and Deputy Project Directors are hereby designated to determine the eligibility and amount of each claim for such relocation payment in relation to their respective Projects.

4. Any claimant may petition the Authority for review of any determination respecting the claimant's eligibility or the amount of the claim within sixty (60) days after written notice to the claimant of such determination.

5. In determining the eligibility for and the amount of a relocation adjustment payment, the Authority shall use the definition of "income for rent" in use from time to time by the Boston Housing Authority, excluding therefrom income of dependent children from part-time employment.

6. In the case of an elderly individual who has moved to a non-housekeeping unit, if such unit meets the standards contained in Article II of the Sanitary Code of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, "Minimum Standards of Fitness for Human Habitation", it may be considered standard housing with 0 bedrooms for purposes of computing the relocation adjustment payment.

7. The occupancy standards in relocation programs heretofore approved shall be supplemented by the addition of the following:

"In the case of families, 1 bedroom shall be allowed for each married couple, for each two adults of the same sex, and for each two children of the same sex. One bedroom shall be allowed for each remaining adult and each remaining child. However, the number of bedrooms may be increased in the case of poor health or great age disparity within a family."

8. The Development Administrator is hereby authorized to establish reasonable and necessary administrative procedures and requirements consistent with the foregoing.

June 3, 1965

TO: Boston Redevelopment Authority
FROM: Edward J. Logue, Development Administrator
SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF CONDITIONS FOR MAKING FAMILY RELOCATION PAYMENTS

It is necessary that we update our family relocation payment procedures, as we recently did with respect to business relocation to take into account the changes introduced by the Housing Act of 1964, and new HHFA regulations. The principal change relates to relocation adjustment payments, a new form of aid designed to supplement family incomes during the period of adjustment following displacement from a renewal project.

The attached resolution, the adoption of which I recommend, does the following:

1. States the intention of the Authority to make family relocation payments under the new provisions of law and the regulations thereunder;
2. Establishes the eligibility date for relocation payment claims;
3. Authorizes Project Directors and Deputy Directors to approve relocation payment claims;
4. Provides for a review procedure by the Board if requested by the claimant;
5. Provides for the exclusion of incidental income of minor dependents from family income in computing the amount of an adjustment payment;
6. Permits elderly individuals to receive relocation adjustment payments even though they move to rooms rather than housekeeping units;
7. Authorizes the Development Administrator to establish additional administrative procedures.

All family relocation and relocation adjustment payments are paid with Federal relocation grant funds.

